

July 18 2017 EMG Excom meeting minutes

Excom members present: Ken Schechtman, Henry Robertson, Rob Polzin, Paul Ohlendorf, Doug Mehlville, John Feldman

Excom secretary: Caroline Pufalt

Guests: Kevin Chely, Liz Mahood, Brian Kraus

- 1 Minutes approved from June
  - 2 Rob distributed budget summary. A CD is maturing soon, discussed whether we should cash some of it now. But we have enough on hand now as is.
  - 3 Monthly programs, July speaker at library, Aug dinner at Olympia restaurant 6:30. Sept program is trails (Paul S.). November is slide/photo share Nov 16. December is holiday program. No program scheduled yet for October. John will ask John H. if he has any idea of need for topic in Oct.
  - 4 nominations for excom, John Feldman is chair of nominating com, Caroline will help find other members. Caroline will get call for nominations on the web. Rob, Caitlin and Ken are all up and willing to run again.
  - 5 Stash the Trash. Caitlin has asked Megan but not heard back yet, Paul is willing to help on this.
6. Caitlin (via email) recommended new items to purchase from SC new store, John moved Doug seconded her list for purchase, passed unanimously. We can add more items later, such as T shirts and backpacks.
7. Motion that we support possible ad against CC Lake Memorial park ice skating rink. This campaign will continue for at least several months. Deadline for EA comments is July 22. Caroline is writing those comments, will share. But the NPS decision on LWCF restrictions on land expected to take until end of year or early 2018. The coalition we belong to wants to be ready to run ad as needed. Caroline and Paul have been attending meetings on this, as has Caitlin in her role as Open Space Council employee. Caroline suggested that we agree to be ready to contribute \$250 for ad with Paul and Caroline (and Caitlin) reviewing appropriate ad. Doug moved John seconded approval. Passed unanimously.
- John suggested that we do more to do grassroots organizing around the ice rink issue.
8. Becky Denny sent email request for staff hours, requested 20 hours of staff time to work on trail planning. Becky has been doing a lot of the work on her own and Michael has spent staff

time in the past. This trail event is EMG group event but also promoted to chapter participation. We agreed to approve up to 20 hours. Paul agreed to help with volunteer hours John moved that we approve up to 20 hours, Doug seconded. Approved unanimously.

9. Outings committee report: Doug has reviewed SC requirements per outings leaders (page 15 -16 of current handbook). Outings Leaders need basic certification in first aid renewed every 4 years. Thus, we have been assuming that our certificates meet club regulations every 4 years, but our local certificates are for only 2 years. So, Doug sought clarification as to whether we need recertification in two years or four. Doug found out that we need training compliant with American Red Cross Basic and need to be compliant with whatever timeframe the card/certification covers. So, if it says 2 years, outings leaders need to be recertified in 2 years. Doug contacted the Red Cross regarding costs of local training. Unless we have someone locally as a trainer (we don't) could cost up to \$110 per person. But Doug is willing to get trained and certified as a trainer.

The Alpine shop might provide a certification class in the fall. But not sure about that schedule. John Feldman moved that Doug get certified and teach other outings, or use Alpine Shop. Cost for Doug to be able to be certified and conduct training eventually includes the purchase of materials costing \$1,388.58. But initial certification costs for Doug's training is \$410. John Feldman will check with the Boy Scouts in case there are certification options there.

Revised motion wording – first ask again at Alpine shop re possible training there. Also, approve costs for Doug to taking training classes –about \$410. Motion passed unanimously.

Henry said we should get updated outings book as soon as possible.

10. Discussed relocation of monthly program, Jim Rhodes has also suggested Webster Groves library as well as Ethical Society. Doug recommends that we look into curtains to help with glare. John moved, Doug seconded that we purchase 10 more chairs. Approved unanimously. Suggested cost up to \$15. a chair.

11. next meeting August 15 Tuesday.